(xii) Regional and Sub-regional offices of Wildlife Preservation have been set-up mostly at the main export centres of the country to prevent smuggling of wildlife products.

(xiii) Interdepartmental coordination has been enhanced with other enforcement organisations like Police, BSF, Customs, ITBP, Coast Guards etc. Training programmes on wildlife enforcement and implementation were also conducted for all these organisations at New Delhi and Dehradun during, 1995.

Urea production in Ramagundam Fertilizer Unit

206. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:
DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR:

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the target set and actual quantity of Urea produced since April, 1996, in Ramagundam Fertilizer unit of F.C.I.;

(b) the reasons for shortfall in the production of Urea, and the steps taken to improve the situation; and

(c) the measures taken for ensuring regular supply of coal to the Unit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI SIS RAM OLA): (a) The production of urea at the Ramagundam unit of F.C.I. during the period from April to October, 1996 was 5337 metric tonnes as against the target of 33,000 metric tonnes.

(b) and (c) The major reasons for the shortfall in production of Urea are as follows:

(i) Power cut by Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board (APSEB);

(ii) Poor coal supply from Singareni Collieries Ltd . (SCCL); and

(iii) Breakdown of equipment and other related process problems caused mainly due to prolonged shutdown. As a result of close coordination with State Government and the undertakings concerned, the supply of coal and power to the unit has improved.

Setting-up of Dravidian University

207. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:
SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Dravidian University is being set-up to develop Dravidian and tribal languages;

(b) if so, the details including the significance thereof; and

(c) the contribution proposed to be given by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) The Central Government has no proposal, at present, to set up any University for Dravidian and tribal Languages. The State Government of Andhra Pradesh has, however, proposed to set up one such University at Kuppam in Andhra Pradesh in collaboration with the State Governments of Kerala, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

(c) There is no proposal under consideration of the Govt. of India to provide any grant towards the capital cost of any such University.

Johl Committee Report

208. DR. JAGANNATH MISHRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be please to state:

(a) the main features of Johl Committee Report;

(b) the recommendations which have since been implemented; and

(c) by when the entire report is proposed to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) Johl Committee Report refers to the report submitted by an ICAR Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of Dr. S. S. Johl, Professor of Eminence (Retd.), on Partnership, Resource Generation, Training, Consultancy, Contract Research, Contract Service and Incentive & Reward Systems.

(b) and (c) The general recommendations on two issues relating to Partnership and Incentive and Reward Systems are being implemented by reorienting the research strategies for future and the personnel policies of the ICAR including institution of seven new award. However, on each of the specific recommendations on Consultancy, Training, Contract Research and Contract Service, the detailed rules, regulations and guidelines have already been worked out and put up to the Governing Body of ICAR for approval before those recommendations are put to implementation. Once approval is received including clearance from the Department of Expenditure, Govt. of India, the report would be fully implemented.

Sanction of Kendriya Vidyalayas at Pauri Garhwal in Uttar Pradesh

209. SHRIMATI MALTI SHARMA: SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 651 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 19th July, 1996 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the long demand of the people of the hill district of Uttar Pradesh with regard to opening of Kendriya Vidyalayas at Pauri, District Pauri Garhwal, U.P. is pending;

(b) if so, whether Government have considered the demand; and

(c) if so, by when sanction would be given and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c) There is no response from the District Authorities of Pauri Garhwal to the Communications sent by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan from time to time intimating the pre-requisites for consideration of the proposal for opening of a Kendriya Vidyalaya at Pauri. However, there is already one Kendriya Vidyalaya at Lansdowne in the District of Pauri Garhwal.

वन क्षेत्र में कमी का आना

210. श्री राम जेठमलानी: क्या पर्यावरण और वन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि देश में अनुकूल पर्यावरण की आवश्यकता के अनुरूप वनों का विस्तार कम क्षेत्र में है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो देश में कितने प्रतिशत भूमि पर वन लगे हुए हैं;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि गत दशकों के दौरान देश में वनों का विस्तार करने हेतु चलाई गई योजनाओं से विशेष लाभ प्राप्त नहीं किया जा सका है; और

(घ) यदि नहीं, तो इस संबंध में सरकार की क्या प्रतिक्रिया है?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (कैप्टन जय नारायण प्रसाद निषाद): (क) जी, हां।

(ख) 1995 की स्टेट आफ फारेस्ट रिपोर्ट के अनुसार देश में 1995 के मूल्यांकन के अनुसार कुछ वनावरण देश के कुल भौगोलिक क्षेत्र के 19.46% क्षेत्र में है। कुल 22.90 मिलियन है० क्षेत्र को वनीकरण के अन्तर्गत लाया गया है।

(ग) जी, नहीं।

(घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता।